

Bondi Junction-Waverley RSL SUB-BRANCH



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PLEASE NOTE - NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING:

Due to the Covid-19 lockdown and restrictions, the next Quarterly Meeting of our Sub-Branch will be held at a future date at Easts Leagues Club.

Members will be advised by way of either an email (important you advise your current email address to:

subbranch@clubbondijunction.com.au),

OR by post, together with the agenda and any requirements.



SUB-BRANCH PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Bill Harrigan

Hello members;

Here we are again in a massive lockdown which will prevent the holding of our quarterly sub-Branch General Meeting which is scheduled for Sunday the 19th September at the Eastern Suburbs Rugby League Club.

We are holding some Executive Committee meetings by email and telephone to ensure we are meeting all our administrative commitments. Our Office Assistant Lisa has attended the office on two occasions and will now seek the required work travel permit to continue to attend as required. It has been a very busy time with the Council rates for our properties to be paid, along with accounts for July and now August to be finalised.

Our Welfare Officer David Jeffrey is continuing to do a very good job contacting our members by telephone to provide support and ensure they are all OK in the absence of personal visits. (David's contact email is - dave.jeffrey@yahoo.com.au and his telephone mobile is 0408679671 should anyone need to contact him.) Your committee is also contacting members to see if they are in need of support.

Some may have noticed the club is now finally being demolished and for your information have selected a builder and the required number of units have been sold off the plan to ensure the project now goes ahead.

I am currently looking at the sub-Branch office space within the new building to ensure we have sufficient areas for our administration and meetings and some IT usage and library space for members. I am also hoping we will be able to either use a function area on a weekly basis for members to meet in a coffee club atmosphere.

The State Branch of the RSL continues to operate and on the 23rd August moved to new premises Suite 11.02; Level 1; 341 George Street, Sydney. Access and office hours are 8.30am to 5.30pm weekdays and access if by lift to Level 11.

The Annual RSL State Congress will still be held this year (at this time) in Newcastle on the 6 and 7 December but only one delegate will be permitted to attend. I am the sub-Branch delegate and at this time intend to attend. Kevin is the alternate delegate and may attend if I am unable.

Should any member require any assistance or support or any information please contact myself on 0417233420, our Welfare Office David, or leave a message on the office telephone 93874891.

Please Note: our sub-Branch NEW web site: bondijunctionwaverleysl.com.au

**MEMBERS IN
NURSING
HOMES &
HOSPITAL:**

* War Vets
Narrabeen:
Wally Rivers

* Shalom—
Macquarie
Park:
Ian Mann

* Summit Care
- Waverley:
Gerald
Atkins

* Charingfield
- Waverley:
Robin Bond

SUB-BRANCH SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Sue Welman



Hello members,
Due to the Covid 19 lockdown
there is not a lot to report in
this
newsletter.

We have only attended the office
briefly in that time to pay bills, collect
mail etc. Hope everyone is
staying safe and well. Try and exercise
with a friend if possible, listen to music,
read etc. We have all been isolated from
our usual activities which puts more
pressure on us all.

The dates for Congress have been
changed and only one delegate can
attend.

ANZAC House has moved to new
premises: Suite 11.02, level 11, 175 Pitt
St
Sydney. NSW. 2000.

BATTLE OF LONG TAN

Against the odds in sixty-six, on a far off foreign shore,
Australians fought Vietnamese In a fierce and bloody war;
August eighteenth marks the date when they fought man to man,
In dark of night and monsoon rain In the Battle of Long Tan.

The Sixth Battalion's D Company Were out from Nui Dat,
Their mission was to search and find where four, four five were at;
They found them in "The Rubber" preparing to assault,
But the tactics by our Diggers brought their action to a halt.

As night fell on the battlefield and rain still pelting down,
Our Diggers fought with courage in the rain soaked battleground;
The enemy with its larger force tried hard to break the line,
But the Diggers fought back harder to repel them all the time.

The enemy strength was greater than originally was thought,
But the armour and artillery gave the Diggers good support;
Hampered by the rain and mud, visibility had long gone,
And the fierceness of the battle was still to linger on.

Machine guns light and heavy, were fired from around the flanks,
Until the enemy, badly beaten, began to leave their ranks;
The Diggers, tired and weary were battle scared and sore,
But their tactics and their courage forced the enemy to withdraw.

Next morning told the story of events the night before,
And strewn around the battleground were the casualties of war;
The Aussies suffered losses many brave Diggers died,
But they won the battle honours with skill and guts and pride.

The battle now is history, but a well remembered date,
Where fighting was commended and the courage was top rate;
There were many acts of bravery displayed by every man,
Who fought that bloody battle in the rubber at Long Tan.

Mal Lyons
D Company Vietnam 1st Tour



SUB-BRANCH TREASURER'S REPORT

- Erle Lindsay



Hello members and welcome to
the September newsletter.

Not much to report on for this,
given that we haven't had a
committee meeting for two
months. Going on the last meeting we had,
our investment money is going well. I will
give a more detailed report on this and our
rentals when the present situation
changes.

I hope you are all keeping warm and
safe in these tough times.

